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FM AMEMBASSY CAIRO
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1630
INFO USDA/FAS WASHDC
AMEMBASSY LONDON
AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE
AMEMBASSY BERN
USMISSION EC BRUSSELS

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LONDON, THE HAGUE, BERNE AND EC BRUSSELS FOR AGATTACHES.

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: EAGR, ETRD, EEC, EG, US, UK.
SUBJECT: EGYPTIAN PURCHASE OF SEED POTATOES FROM MAINE.

REF: LONDON 02422.

1. WE ARE CONCERNED OVER IMPLICATIONS OF INFO CONTAINED REFTEL ON BOTH US SALES OF SEED POTATOES TO EGYPT AND ALSO EGYPTIAN SALES OF POTATOES FOR CONSUMPTION TO EUROPE. POTATOES ARE IMPORTANT SOURCE OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE FOR GOE AND ANY INDICATION THAT PURCHASE OF AMERICAN SEED POTATOES HAS HURT EGYPTIAN EXPORTS WILL HAVE SERIOUS NEGATIVE IMPLICATIONS IN BOTH ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL SPHERES.

2. REQUEST USDA PROVIDE AMEMBASSY CAIRO WITH COMPLETE TECHNICAL EVALUATION OF LIKELIHOOD THAT COLORADO BEETLE AND RING ROT
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COULD BE TRANSMITTED TO EUROPE IN POTATOES GROWN IN EGYPT FROM AMERICAN STOCK. WHILE WE HAVE NO DESIRE TO COVER UP A REAL PROBLEM IF ONE EXISTS, WE HOPE USDA CAN PROVIDE INFORMATION WE CAN USE TO ASSURE GOE THAT PURCHASE OF SEED POTATOES FROM MAINE DID NOT JEOPARDIZE THEIR EXPORT POTENTIAL AND ALSO INFORMATION GOE CAN USE TO ASSURE ITS EUROPEAN CUSTOMERS THAT EGYPT CONTINUES TO BE A SAFE

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SOURCE OF POTATOES FOR CONSUMPTION.
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